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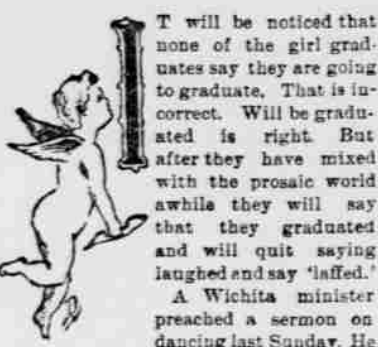
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MOTHER GRUNDY TALKS.

The Weekly Syllabus of Light Morsels and Tasty Tidbits for the Inquiring and Curious—Some Flings From Editorial Pens.



It will be noticed that none of the girl graduates say they are going to graduate. That is incorrect. Will be graduated. It is right. But after they have mixed with the prosaic world while they wait, they will quit, saying "I'll be damned!"

A Wichita minister preached a sermon on dancing last Sunday. He is against it.

Louisville-Courier Journal: Mr. Oris of Kansas demands that the new mint shall be built in the west. Why not give it to Wichita, where there used to be a boom.

Topeka Lance: Ten couples of Wichita young people enjoyed a "hay ride" the other evening and had such a jolly time they can talk of nothing else. Among the other jolly features, the wagon broke down and the company had to walk home.

If the sun is out today, smoke a piece of glass and look at it. The spots on the sun can be seen, this way.

Jamestown New Era: Wichita is noted for its glided saloons and the quiet manner in which they are run.

A girl came to Wichita last year from another state and caught a Wichita man. There is now a story out that four more girls from the same locality are going to visit here this summer for the same purpose. The local belles are indignant.

Kansas City Journal: Although the Wichita Eagle has dropped "ye editor," it still announces when a man receives a cane as a present that he is "caned."

A woman writes to Mother Grundy to know if her husband has a right to object if she gets a certain color of a dress that another man has said that he admired.

Abilene Reflector: Wichita has raised its guarantee and is prepared to entertain the state reunion of the G. A. R. next August. It is semi-officially announced that there will be no reserved seats and no grand stand rushes.

Henriette says only one person has discovered her. She received an anonymous letter from some woman Friday who told her that she need not be so smart as her (Henriette's) mother once took in washing for a living.

Lawrence Journal: There is a baseless rumor about to the effect that the recent epidemic about Wichita has been caused by domestic troubles in the Lease family.

A Wichita franchise soon to wed has sixteen dresses. It is said to be the largest trousseau ever possessed by a Wichita girl.

Newton Republican: A Wichita joint had an opening Saturday and sent out elegant lithographed invitations. No wonder the Keeley institute moved to that city.

A young man said yesterday that three or four years ago several of the boys who were making new year eulls, wrapped a ten dollar bill in the tin foil around a big bouquet. The first girl they met that did not say anything about the weather was to get the bouquet. They called on a hundred girls or more but they could not dispose of the prize.

Emporia Republican: Wichita has notified Emporia, Kansas, and she has raised the necessary amount for the entertainment of the G. A. R. encampment in August. Wichita seldom fails to "raise the wind."

The girls who intend to graduate this year can see a very flowery future before them. Yesterday Mother Grundy saw a girl who graduated four years ago. She was married and hump shouldered and was dragging one baby along by the hand and wheeling another in a baby carriage.

Newton Republican: Wichita will have a lot of fagged prize fight June 21. It will be limited to ten rounds.

A young man kept tab on a popular girl on North Topeka the other evening and in two hours, she moistened her lips ninety-seven times with her tongue to keep them moist.

Topeka Lance: The Wichita "Pirates" who went to Oklahoma came back enthusiastic over their time there and the going and coming, and the stories told now—well, it was from Wichita. An Oklahoma paper says, with all due deference to Wichita sisters, that "Bells of Cornville," recently given there, was quite as well as the one in the city.

One of the prettiest girls in Wichita is going to become a nun. She is 18 years old. She has just returned from a tour of the convents throughout the country.

Kansas Star: Henriette, of the Eagle, is having a serious time of it. Her lady friends abuse her to her face without knowing it.

Mother Grundy has received a large number of guesses as to who Henriette is. Here are some who have been guessed: Mrs. J. A. Hollister, Mrs. C. F. Fletcher, Mrs. Russell Harding, Mrs. E. L. Mackenzie, Mrs. Victor Murdock, Mrs. E. J. Jones, Mrs. H. G. Tozer, Mrs. M. A. Todd, Mrs. Ed. Vail, Mrs. Nan Healey, Miss Pearl Skinner, Miss Geneva Jocelyn, Miss Sara Chapman, Messrs. E. L. Mackenzie, Dave Leaky, Bruce Hilday, Ralph Niederlander, George Hamman and Ephraim Hoffman.

THE FOURTH AT WICHITA.
The grandest industrial and trades display ever seen in Kansas is well advanced. The merchants and citizens of the city are untiringly working to make the city the center of the state for the celebration of the fourth of July. The celebration will be a day long to be remembered by the people for more than a hundred miles around. Arrangements are being made to have the specially low rates given on all railroads extended from July 2 to July 7, allowing the wheelmen of the state to remain during the grand bicycle tournament, which is held on the 4th, 5th and 6th. This wheelmen's tournament will be the largest of all odds ever held in the state, and will bring wheelmen from Colorado, Nebraska, Missouri and Oklahoma. It is estimated that there will be at least 2,000 wheelmen in line, which will be a great addition to the parade, which will be a full industrial and trades display, including the military and civic societies. The 4th is to be the red letter day of the great bicycle tournament to be held at the fair grounds. The celebrated horse, "Banner Boy," is booked for a three-mile race against Dr. Schultz on his bicycle, and the chances are that the doctor will win.

Arrangements are being perfected to take care of the immense crowds of people on the fourth, and Wichita extends an urgent invitation to the people of Southwestern Kansas to visit her and enjoy the glorious 4th on wheels.

This grand celebration is under the auspices of the board of trade and state league of American wheelmen, and a grand affair.

HENRIETTE ON MEN.

She Gives Epistolary Evidence of the Worth and Faults of Wichita's Society Men—A Girl's Letter and Its Contents.

Last week I omitted the men. The lapse has been weighing on me ever since. I have heard myself criticised without stint for my sketches on Wichita society and I have hardly the heart to say more. To speak sincerely, I did not realize that the society people of our city would be so hard to please.

Now, by way of exculpation of myself, I shall submit something in regard to the men, and at the same time refrain from saying anything myself.

To explain. Sometime since, within the twelvemonth, a young lady from another town visited me and became quite popular in the society of our city. After she had been here a matter of three weeks she wrote a gossip letter to a girl friend at her home, describing her experience in the circles here.

Of course I knew of the existence of this epistle, and feeling that I had slighted the men, I wrote last Monday for this letter, and happily it had not been destroyed.

It is written as any frank, effusive and intelligent young woman would write a letter, and that part which pertains to the men I have given intact, with the exception of two errors in which she roundly expresses her dislike of two young men, one of whom constantly had the scent of cigars on his breath, and another who was a native of New York city and was bored by everything western. I do not give these. It would not be right to intentionally hurt anybody. And by making them public, I would do the young writer herself an injustice. This is the letter:

My dear Grace— I am having a perfectly lovely time. This is a beautiful city. So many beautiful trees and long, wide avenues. I think Lawrence avenue here is the prettiest street I ever saw in my life, and reminds me of that avenue we saw in Cleveland on our excursion last summer.

The people here are awfully nice. I have been to parties and have met some of the boom towns of the west, and people that were dreadfully poor become suddenly rich, and many who didn't have enough to sport a wheelbarrow before are spreading around in double-decked carriages. But I haven't noticed that anybody is rude because of great change in fortune. For everybody acts as though they had been used to it all their lives.

I think the boys here are ever so much nicer than the boys at E—. They don't seem half so rude. There is one young gentleman here who reminds me of our Charlie Bremer, only he is handsomer. His name is Ed Campbell. He was at the party last night. The girls say he is dreadfully proud of his good looks. But you know, I always admired proud people when they have got something to be proud of.

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Another handsome young man is George Hamman. He has very dark hair and eyes and wears a diamond, such a big diamond, in his necktie. When I was talking with him he straightened it five times with his fingers.

Robert Henderson is a tall young man and the girls regard him as a great catch. His father is one of the richest men in town. He is a great dresser and every time I have seen him since I came here, he has had on a different pair of trousers. He was at the party last night, but I didn't get to talk to him, because he was paying his attentions to another young lady here who is said to have captured him. I think I would like him, though.

Do you remember that Chicago man who visited in E— with Mrs. Davis last winter? Well, there is a man here the exact image of him. His name is Will Smith. He is quite popular. He is always very clean about his dress and a girl whose brother runs a laundry told me that he sends in the biggest bundle of collars every week of any man in town. We played cards in the fore part of the evening, then had refreshments and then we danced.

I played several hands with a young man who has just moved to Wichita from somewhere in Missouri. He wears glasses and is quite a dandy dresser. He told me this was the third party he had been to since he came, and so as we were both comparative strangers we enjoyed ourselves very much. His name is Fred Riche. (He told me it was pronounced like the night.)

I got awfully disgusted with one of my partners, but of course I didn't show it, who trumped my ace twice. However, I nearly fell in love with him before the evening was over. His name is Bruce Priddy, (queer name, isn't it?) and he is tall and slender. But oh, my, so polite and polished and such a graceful dancer. He told me that he just adored Strawn waltzes and I believe I could have danced all night with him.

I think I enjoyed the dancing more than anything else. I wore my favorite silk with the collar out and neck decollete, just a little, you know. Auntie insisted on putting a handkerchief over my shoulders and a bow on the shoulder and she said I looked perfectly charming, but you know she always fusses. She gave me her diamonds to wear, and I was half scared to death all evening for fear of losing them. The young man who brought me home (Oh, no, I won't tell you his name, noticed it and took my hand to admit it. And I notice that he took a long time to expatiate on its loveliness. He is the only real impudent fellow I have met in Wichita yet. He is going to call tomorrow night and auntie declares that she will remain in the parlor the entire evening. Well, I was just dazed and daunted. I wanted to dance with a young gentleman named Sherman Skinner, but I noticed that he didn't dance at all. The girls told me that he had given up dancing, because the girl he was engaged to was an active worker in the church and didn't approve of dancing, but was such a handsome boy that I wanted to dance with him. He has such square shoulders and a very ready complexion. His hair is a very dark red and his eyes were admired by all the girls. It is a pity he doesn't dance.

Harry Gordon was another young man I danced with. I had heard so much about how smart he was and how intellectual he was that I was rather afraid to meet him. But he didn't turn out to be what I expected at all and I liked him real well. He is tall and fine looking and auntie says he is going to be a power to the land some day. In a few months he is going to marry an Indiana girl and I heard several of the girls say that he ought to marry some one like that.

Remember Harry's sister, the outworn, but pardon me, Grace, I will not mention it again.

I met a nice gentleman whose name is O. B. Stocker. He is an old bachelor and has been to Europe and brought back all the girls a present. He has elegant quarters in a block and lives like a king. He

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I very popular and I found him to be very entertaining. One of the very nicest boys I met was Howard Moffatt. He is a fine looking young man and a splendid dancer and when I was introduced to him, he blushed and blushed. Some of the girls told me he was the champion blusher of Wichita.

Walter Fort was the name of another young man I met and danced with. He is the best dresser, Auntie says, in this town. His trousers are creased just so, and he wears a new necktie every time he goes out. He wears patent leather shoes and overalls and reminds me a good deal of George Leake at home.

I have tried to think of the handsomest man I have met and I have come to the conclusion that he is a young man they call Captain Osborne. He has beautiful eyes and raven hair and real black twisted moustaches. His smile is perfectly lovely but I think he knows it and smiles too much. But that is pardonable, I guess.

I noticed two young men at the party last night who seem to be inseparable, for they sat together all evening and managed to play at the same table and dance in the same sets. I was introduced to them. Their names are Will Hoffman and Morrie Velle. They are great chums, and one never goes out anywhere, the girls say, without the other.

I met a Dr. McClees, and auntie told me I must trust him very nicely. He is a young practicing physician with a good deal of money. He recently was left a large sum of money by a relative, and he is regarded as a great catch. I got acquainted with him and talked to him—he did the talking, I mean, for I don't believe I ever met a greater talker. The words just seemed to flow out of his mouth. I could only get in a word crosswise occasionally, and of course I didn't have a chance to make an impression on him at all. Auntie entertains a very high regard for him.

Another young gentleman paid me marked attention all evening, and I really "got struck" on him. I mentioned him to auntie to-day, and she tells me I mustn't take his attention too much to heart, as he is getting tired of it. He is a young man who visits Wichita. I think that's nice in him, don't you? His name is Sharpe.

But, oh, Grace! I met a young man here who is just like your brother Will. His name is Fred Sweet. I fell in love with him before the evening was over. He said that he used to like society a great deal, but he was getting tired of it. He said it had come to bore him. I told him that he oughtn't to think that way about it, and he laughed and told me he would "think about it."

The party broke up about half past twelve and Auntie and Uncle went home in a cab. I begged to ride with them and was such a beautiful sight. I do wish you were here. Grace! While I like the girls here real well, I don't think any of them are half as nice as you are.

Maybe I will write and tell you about some of the girls. Love to your mother. ETHEL.

For the relief of any tremendous anticipations I will state right here and now that Ethel (the name is fictitious) never wrote the letter describing the society women of Wichita. HENRIETTE.

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